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From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No.: 793,794

25 May 1945

[Part I] To VIKTOR[1].

While he was on a working visit [ROMANDIROVKA][a] to TIRE[TIR][11] "BROMIA"[111] met "ARSENII"[1v][C% who][1 group unrecovered] in a conversation about the fact that B.[1a] had been intercepting letters originating in CANTAGH[KANFAGEN][v], interesting in that they contain intelligence [C% information] from [1 group unrecovered]. In view of the fact that he said that letters were involved it is possible that .

[47 groups unrecovered]

try to reconcile his help to us and feeling of patriotism for his own country.

[48 groups unrecoverable]

[D% their] factory began production of 25 mobile guns [USTANOVKI][b] intended for use against tanks.

[Part II] *~~Some~~ ~~These~~ ~~There~~ ~~was~~ ~~developed~~ ~~by~~ ~~The~~ ~~Massachusetts~~*  
[18 groups unrecovered]

Oxygen Generating [c]

[49 groups unrecoverable]

[38 groups unrecovered]

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ANTON[vi]

Notes: [a] ROMANDIROVKA, literally "mission".  
[b] USTANOVKI, literally "mountings" but often extend to mean the mountings and the guns.  
[c] Given in the Latin alphabet.

Comments:

- [1] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.
- [11] TIR: New York City.
- [111] BROMIA: i.e. "ARMOR," formerly "GUTAMP." A possible candidate who has been suggested for this cover-name is [redacted] an employee of the Bell Aircraft Corporation first at Buffalo, New York (1940-1943) and later at Burlington, Vermont (from 1944), from which latter place he frequently visited New York City in connection with his employment.
- [1v] ARSENII: Andrej Ivanovich SEMUCHENKO.
- [v] KANFAGEN: Washington, D.C.
- [vi] ANTON: Leonid Romanovich KVASHINOV.

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